National Historic Trail

I am John Sevier. I became the first governor of Tennessee.

I am Patrick Ferguson. I invented a breech-loading rifle 80 years before they became commonly used.

Who Am I?

I am Isaac Shelby. I became the first governor of Kentucky.

I am "Bonnie Kate" Sherrill.
I became the First Lady of
Tennessee.

I am Mary Patton. I learned my craft as an apprentice.

I am Banastre Tarleton. The Patriots fear by merciless savagery on the battlefield.

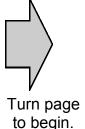
I am William Campbell. I was the at the council in Gilbert Town.

I am General Lord Charles Cornwallis. I took command of the British Army at Charles Town after the largest ever surrender of an American Army.

Instructions:

Working individually or in pairs, write the letter for each set of statements in the blank beside the name of the person described. Each person is described twice. (The letters are A-Q. "I" is not an answer.)

For fun, give yourself 1 point for correct answers A-H and 2 points for correct answers J-Q. See page 4 for scoring.







A

I am the commander of the British Army advancing into North Carolina

I am recruiting Americans still loyal to King George to help put down the rebellion led by American Patriots. I intend to march all the way to New England to fight George Washington's Continental Army.

R

I live in the overmountain regions of North Carolina at Fort Watauga at Sycamore Shoals.

I am a tall, athletic young woman. I can out-run, outshoot, and out-ride any man in the settlement.

\mathbf{C}

I live in the overmountain regions of North Carolina. (Today, it's Tennessee.)

My cousin Samuel Phillips brought me a threatening message from a British major.

D

I live in the overmountain regions of North Carolina. (Today it's Tennessee.)

I am skilled at making gunpowder.

\mathbf{E}

I am a Scotsman and a major in the British Army.

I am recruiting Americans still loyal to King George III to help put down the Patriot rebellion.

F

My wife spent her honeymoon sewing uniforms for her stepsons to wear.

I gathered 240 militiamen at Sycamore Shoals.

William Campbell
Charles Cornwallis
Patrick Ferguson
Mary Patton
John Sevier
Isaac Shelby

Catherine Sherrill

Banastre Tarleton



G

I am a colonel of the Virginia militia in Washington County.

At first, I did not think it was wise or necessary for us to leave our homes to go looking for the advancing Loyalist army, but I changed my mind.

Н

I am a British cavalry officer commanding a company of mounted soldiers called "dragoons."

I am protecting the right flank of my commander, General Lord Charles Cornwallis.

J

I live in the overmountain regions of North Carolina. (Today you call that area northeast Tennessee.)

I was entertaining guests and celebrating my marriage to Kate Sherrill when another militia leader rode up to my home with news of a threat from a British major.

K

I live near Sycamore Shoals.

I gave 500 pounds of gunpowder to the Overmountain Men to use in the battle.

L

I have defeated American armies at Charleston and at Camden in South Carolina.

Patrick Ferguson is protecting my left flank.

M

I am a community leader and a colonel of local militia.

When I received the threatening message, I got on my horse and rode 40 miles to see another militia leader.

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Charles Cornwallis
Patrick Ferguson
Mary Patton
John Sevier
Isaac Shelby
Catherine Sherrill

Banastre Tarleton

William Campbell





In 1776, I barely made my way to safety by scaling the stockade wall as a war party of Cherokee chased me across a field.

I later married the man who helped me over the stockade wall.

O

I have lost the use of my right arm because of a battle wound. I command my troops with a silver whistle.

I overcame my handicap by teaching myself to fight left-handed with a saber.

P

At the Waxhaws, I ignored the pleas of surrendering Patriots. My men rode among them stabbing and slashing defenseless soldiers.

My reputation caused the Overmountain Men to fear me, but I was ill and unable to answer Ferguson's request for help.

Q

I brought 400 Virginia militiamen to Sycamore Shoals.

By a vote of the other officers, I was elected to command the entire army of volunteer militiamen.

___ William Campbell

Charles Cornwallis

_ Patrick Ferguson

___ Mary Patton

John Sevier

___ Isaac Shelby

Catherine Sherrill

Banastre Tarleton

Scoring:

Less than 25 = Tory Loyalist

25-29 = a **New Recruit** to the Patriot Cause

30-34 = a battle-hardened Militia Volunteer

35-38 = a crack shot and a reliable **Scout**

39-41 = Captain

42-44 = Maior

45-47 = Colonel

48 = Commander of the Overmountain Men

12 = 1%E; 1Z = M%C; CZ = B%N; BL = H%D; MC = C%O; $CC = V\%\Gamma$; DE = E%O; Mb = K%D; WURMGLS;



